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and Fast Non-disruptive Path)	
Switching in High Speed Packet)	
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This Preliminary Amendment is filed in response to the FINAL Office Action mailed on February 10, 2003 in the parent U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/213,578, and in the Advisory Action mailed on July 18, 2003, and in the present Continuation Application which names U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/213,578 filed on December 17, 1998 as its parent application. All objections and rejections are respectfully traversed.